WEATHER—Part cloudy tonight and Thursday. Not much change in temperature.

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Band of Communists Discovered

Killed While on Hunting Trip

BOROUGHS OF BELLE VERNON FACE MANY OFFICIAL PROBLEMS

Take Steps To Protect School Bldg.

The work of firebugs in this section has brought no end of unrest to the people of many communities and more especially to the residents of Belle Vernon. On account of lack of school facilities and many parents being forced to send their children to neighboring schools, a sentiment has been expressed to have special guard duty at all hours of the night to protect the town's school building.

Last night a meeting of the school board was held and a man willing to take upon himself the oath of an officer appeared and was tendered the position. All arangements as to salary and working hours had been made and the man was directed to Burgess Harry Boyd to be sworn in. He returned in a short time without any credentials and unwilling to take the position, claiming that he was informed that guarding the schoolhouse was not a one-man job. The meeting was adjourned without definite plans for protecting the property.

North Belle Vernon is at present embarrassed in the way of possessing the required public officials to administer justice. John Gray, chief burgess, holds a position at Greensburg as deputy warden and is unable to render the town any service on account of necessary absence. There is a vacancy in the office of Justice of the Peace on acount of the death of R. L. Weller, no appointment to fill the vacancy so far having been made. The state police have been working in the vicinity and if an arrest is made and a hearing necessary, the President of Council is the legal source through which justice is administered.

Further embarrasment has been occasioned on account of the police force having been elected to the office of constable and the dual duties required detracts from the patrol responsibilities imposed by council.

However, the only arrest so far in connection with the recent fires was that of John Trozzo, who was apprehended on the Cook farm after an alarm had been sent to the borough. He was detained for several days and after a full investigation had been made it was decided he was in no way connected with the band of firebugs. He was given his liberty after his persistant declaration that he was looking for mushrooms and fresh eggs. It is understood the people of both boroughs are demanding the greatest protection possible and that the public officials are inclined to do everything they can to prevent any disaster.

A Tip—Do Your Shopping Early

Death May Result From Gun Shots

Jack Bennett, aged 45, and known as a bad man among the colored folk of the upper Monongahela valley, is a patient in the Memorial hospital at Monongahela City, with a bullet wound near his heart and small chances of recovery, as a result of a shooting affray in which he took part, early last evening.

Bennett entered the home of Ella Corey, at Clipper's Landing, below Allenport, about six o'clock last evening and after starting a rough house, attempted to shoot Blanche Walker. Two shots were fired at the woman who then drew a revolver and firing one shot struck Bennett a few inches below the heart and he fell probably fatally wounded.

The wounded man was rushed to the Memorial hospital where it was stated this morning that his condition was still critical. Chief Albright and Officer Murphy of the Charleroi force, went to the Corey home and placed Mrs Corey, Blanch Walker, Henry Board and Harry Stokes under arrest. The quartet was brought to the Charleroi police station and is being held to await the outcome of the wounded man's injuries.

Seek Tax Increase

(By United Press)

Washington, D. C., Dec. 8.—Secretary of the Treasury Houston today asked Congress to boost the Federal income tax rate two per cent on incomes under $5,000. Houston at the same time asked that taxes on some incomes over $5,000 be reduced and that corporations be assessed to pay a flat tax of 20 per cent on undivided profits. Big increases were also asked on tobacco, cigars, cigarettes, candy, chewing gum and the like. Gasoline be taxed two cents per gallon and automobiles 50 cents per horse power.

Houston's proposals were made in his annual report presented at noon today and would net the government approximately $9,000,000,000 a year. That part of the report dealing with taxation was intended as a guide to Congress in providing revenues to take the place of those from laws enacted during the war period, which are now failing to produce sufficient funds for the government.

Accidentally Shot

George H. Stevens, aged 24 years, son of the late George Stevens, of Homewood, was accidently shot and killed near Cinnimahoning, Cameron County, yesterday while on a deer hunt with a party of Pittsburgh men. A telegram was received by his mother, but gave no details of the death. The young man was manager of the Conner's Hotel, Frankstown and Homewood avenue, Pittsburgh. The young man was the nephew of C. M. Ridenour of Monessen.

He was well known here, the family having resided in this city for a number of years, leaving here for Pittsburgh about ten years ago. The father, George Stevens, was manager of the local plant of the Independent Brewing company and was at one time president of the borough council and was active in civic affairs. His death occurred about a year ago.

Formulating Policies to Guide Government

By RAYMOND CLAPPER
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)

Marion, Ohio, Dec. 8.—Policies which will guide the government during the Harding administration were being formulated here today.

The President-elect arrived home facing a long siege of work preparatory to taking over the administration reins March 4.

The program confronting him included conferences with the nation's political leaders with regard to selection of a cabinet, mapping out a scheme of international relations, and drafting a legislative program. These tasks will keep Harding chained to his desk until after the Christmas holidays. The first conferences are scheduled for next week.

The Harding train was stopped at the edge of town this morning and the entire party was taken for breakfast to the White Oaks farm of Dr. E. E. Sawyer, Harding's personal physician. Afterward they motored to Marion.

Although Harding plans to call into conference leaders of all shades of opinion, those names thus far made public are, with the exception of George Harvey, generally considered to favor the present league of nations with certain reservations or amendments. Herbert Hoover arrives here Sunday and following him Harding will see Elihu Root, Charles E. Hughes and ex-President Taft. Others will be called later.

Harding stated today the special session of congress will be convened some time in March so that its work can be cleaned up early in the summer if possible. The call will be issued by him shortly after inauguration. A special session of the Senate immediately after inauguration is necessary for confirmation of cabinet appointments, but the call for this probably will be issued according to the custom by the retiring president.

Harding's desire is to avoid further speeches before March 4. It is possible, however, that one or two invitations of the business he has accepted may be accepted. William B. Wilson of New York, called on Harding in Washington with an invitation to speak at the laying of the cornerstone of the Roosevelt memorial in New York City early in January. No decision has been made thus far.

Harding's lot of but occasional visit to Washington left his friends tremendously pleased at President-Elect was at first at the recent in gotten him and the complete change has come to Brig. Gen. Sawyer, Admiral Grayson and General Noble of France. His formal call at the White House, where he left his card, removed from his visit to the capital any suspicion of discourtesy toward President Wilson, friends said.

CHIEF HEADS OF BAD GANG UNDER ARREST TO AWAIT ACTION OF THE LAW

With the arrest yesterday of Joe Galobic and John Bartovich, two alleged Communist leaders, residing in South Brownsville, county authorities and two U. S. Department of Justice agents feel they have apprehended two leaders of a "terrorist gang" which is held responsible for some 30 incendiary fires in all parts of Fayette county. Both men are lodged in the county jail at Uniontown.

Two separate charges, both very serious, may be entered against the prisoners. They are already charged with distributing seditious literature and police intimate that they undoubtedly have some first hand knowledge on the many recent fires in the Belle Vernon and Fayette City districts. Accorded preliminary hearings last night, Bartovich was committed in default of $10,000 bail, while Golobic was also incarcerated in default of $3,000 bail. Neither have sought counsel. Both are Austrians, having served in the Austrian army prior to their coming to America it is said.

Golobic has been in America for 18 years and is a shoemaker. He had a stand on Austin avenue, Brownsville. When the place was raided, it was found filled with Communist and Syndicalist literature, "Red" pamphlets having been scattered over the floor. Golobic was equipped with a typewriter and was visited frequently by Bartovich who is said to have been the head of the "gang of 14" in Brownsville, as the Communists termed themselves. Police hope to round up the remaining members of the gang today.

Bartovich is a car repairman in the West Brownsville Junction and has been in America for seven years. He worked for the Pennsylvania railroad company for three years. He is the owner of a motor car, a valued bit of information police gleaned last night.

He has communicated weekly with "Znajna," a Communist publication of Chicago and received immense volumes of "Communist" and "Red" literature, according to the authorities. During the past month he is said to have sold over 100 copies of "United Communist Methods" a dangerous, radical, seditious treatise done up in booklet form.

Bartovich was arrested Sunday night in the residence of Frank Sabos, Second street, South Brownsville, where he rented rooms. Agents found these rooms well furnished. There was a mass of "Red" literature in different sections. A typewriter was stationed on a desk. Bartovich did not deny he received literature from the Communist party, nor did he deny he distributed literature of this type. He usually distributed at night, he said. Golobic was arrested at his stand on Water street, So. Brownsville. He is not so well educated as Bartovich, but admits he is a student of Communist methods.

When arrested both men manifested no particular concern and it was not until last night, on their way to the county jail, that they began to show signs of distress.

"A boy gave me my literature," Bartovich wailed to one of the officers. He later corrected himself and added that "it was an American." He said he could not identify the American if authorities did succeed in rounding him up.

County Detective Peter B. Murphy, Squire Fred Chalfant and two Federal agents escorted the prisoners to the county jail last night.

One decidedly rabid and un-American treatise of "United Communist Party" type was found last night on Bartovich when he was searched by the jailer. This one was addressed to "Workers! What is Coming?" It was a thorough denouncement of law and order and a staunch exponent of a Communist Soviet.

Pitiful Plight of Girl

(By United Press)

Chicago, Dec. 8.—Stunted of mental and physical growth for 17 years, through a secluded parents who kept her shut in a cellar for that period, Mary Kubarski, aged 19, was to be given a chance today to start over again.

Surgeons this morning were prepared to operate and effect the transplanting of a monkey's thyroid gland which, according to Dr. Sigmund Krumbolz, famous specialist in endocrinology, will start Mary, whom, he says, has the mind of a six months old baby "from her waist to feet."

Committed to a court of the Municipal hospital today, Mary, a mere mass of bones and skin, stares vacantly. Her weight is exactly 38 pounds and according to Krumbolz, she is incapable of thinking, speaking and walking.

"All she can do is sleep and eat," he said.

Mary, according to Krumbolz, was found in the cellar of her mother's home at Joliet, Ill., last September by police officers. She was covered with vermin and living in the filthiest conditions. Mrs. Rose Zundelka, the mother, had been there for 17 years.

According to the examination of the mother, who is said to be unable to speak English clearly, the girl suffered from [illegible] when she was [illegible] it was said, [illegible] but finding the [illegible] mother decided [illegible] to the [illegible]

Krumbolz, with Dr. Louis Max [illegible] and Samuel Bernard Klein, became interested and volunteered to make an effort to bring the girl back to her normal condition.

She was placed [illegible] observation and while Krumbolz, an expert in mental study, watches [illegible] After two months [illegible] she will be transferred to a [illegible]

"The doctors have a definite purpose [illegible] and [illegible] to make," said Krumbolz.

"She has learned [illegible] thing since. The only thing she knows [illegible] is the three balls that [illegible] but [illegible]

Krumbolz declared he [illegible] obtain a part of a woman to [illegible] a part of a thyroid gland, [illegible] decided on the monkey

(Continued on page five.)

All-Scholastic Eleven

The Western Pennsylvania Scholastic, a magazine edited for all schools in this part of the state, has made the following All Scholastic team selection, which would undoubtedly carry off honors against any other eleven men selected from within the league:

Left End—Treglia, Rochester.
Tackle—Berschioner, Beaver Falls
Guard—Myford, Monessen.
Center—McWilliams, Allegheny.
Guard—McKissock, Bellevue.
Tackle—Crockett, Rochester.
Right End—Eichman, Washington
Quarter—Denton, Rochester.
Halfback—Hamilton, Beaver Falls
Halfback—Gaskill, Wilkinsburg.
Fullback—Basista, Fifth Avenue.

Honorable mention was also given Half back, Schmidt, of the local team.

Killed by Truck

(By United Press)

Erie, Pa., Dec. 8.—Husk Wester, aged 45, was killed last night when he was thrown from his motorcycle under the wheels of an auto truck. Joseph W. Fletcher, driving the truck told the police he did not see the accident and was unware that the man had been hurt until he heard some men shouting and then he stopped his truck and going back discovered Wester lying unconscious on the pavement.

(By United Press)

Jersey City, N. J., Dec. 8.—Al Roberts, heavyweight boxer, was held under $2,000 bail for manslaughter, following the death of Mickey Shannon, whom Roberts knocked out in the sixth round of their scheduled ten round bout last night.

New York, Dec. 8.—Edward Cunneen, 37, formerly of Pittsburgh, was sentenced to 10 years in Sing Sing following his conviction of the murder of Charles W. Cleason a San Francisco engineer on an army transport.

Intervention Necessary

By HENRY WOOD
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)

Geneva, Dec. 8.—"Let Wilson do it," was the tenor of replies to the league of nations' appeal for mediation in Armenia received by the assembly today.

No information was received here regarding reported encroachments of the Turkish nationalists in Armenia but predictions were made that supreme council intervention will be necessary to settle conditions in the little country.

Replies to the league's request for mediation included that of Premier Hughes, of Australia, asking further information.

"We joyfully hear that the United States has accepted," the Uruguan foreign office cabled.

"Wilson's generous offer creates the hope that the Armenian problem will be solved." Foreign Minister Neegard, of Denmark, replied. Foreign Minister Barau, Haiti, wired that he "was deeply touched and that Haiti will associate in spirit." Similar answers came from Norway and Sweden. Nicaragua and Panama offered to share expenses.

So far as the league is concerned, Armenia appeared a closed question today. The matter was believed now to be in the hands of President Wilson to act on as he sees fit.

The assembly proceeded with other matters such as a campaign against typhus in Poland and interpretation of the covenant.

Fatal Accident

New York, Dec. 8.—One man was killed and eleven injured today when a Fifth avenue bus overturned at 79th street and Fifth avenue, while trying to avoid a collision with a five ton truck. Frank Cullen, the driver of the bus, was caught beneath the machine and killed.

New Castle, Dec. 7.—High school boys here have organized a "shoe string Club" in protest against the high cost of neckties. The shoe strings are worn by the club members in place of neckties.

Belle Vernon Odd Fellows Present Jewels

Belle Vernon Lodge Independent Order of Odd Fellows entertained about three hundred people last night at the presentation of jewels to twenty four members who have been affiliated with the lodge for 25 years or more. The members of the lodge and their invited guests gathered in the I. O. O. F. hall, which was tastefully decorated for the occasion and enjoyed a pleasant evening and a sumptuous banquet served by the Lady Rebekah.

The festivities were [illegible] over by Noble Grand Walter Cook, who had [illegible] the affair in a manner which met with the approval of all present. Rev. [illegible] of Uniontown made the principal address of the [illegible] and presented the jewels to the twenty-four honored guests. [illegible] S. Young, who has been a member of the lodge for forty-one and a half years responded in behalf of those receiving medals and in a few words expressed the appreciation of those who received the gift. Although Squire Young carries off the honors in regards to long membership in the lodge, he is closely followed by Ephram Lewis, who joined the order just 47 years ago. C. F. Eggers of Uniontown was the youngest member to receive the jewel, he having just reached the desired 25 year mark of membership.

The evening will long be remembered by those present as one of the leading social events of the season, the genuine pleasure being of the very best, while the supper prepared by the Lady Belle Rebekahs, stamped them as the best caterers in the valley. Music was furnished by the Methodist orchestra under the able leadership of Frank H. Steen, and they were forced to respond to numerous encores. Other vocal and instrumental selections were rendered by Belle Vernon people.

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Embargo on Grapes

(By United Press)

Pittsburgh, Dec 8—The demand for grapes has been so great this year that the Pennsylvania and Baltimore and Ohio Railroads have placed an embargo on shipments from New York state.

Railroad officials denied that grapes in transit when the embargo was ordered were allowed to rot on sidings. At the time the embargo was placed grapes were selling at the rate of 100 carload lots a day while other fruits and produce were been kept from consumers, it was stated.

As many as 90 carloads were reported at the yards here at one time. Foreigners are believed to be the principal consumers of the grapes, which they use in the manufacture of wine.

To Build 150 Houses

(By United Press)

Connellsville, Dec 7—Work has been commenced on the new town of 150 modern houses expected to be built a short distance from Edenborn, near here, for the families of coal miners who three mines in this vicinity are opened. The mines are the property of the Wood Coal Company and a company, which combines mining rights of a 2,300 acre tract from Morgantown.

Honor Roll Compiled

(By United Press)

Pittsburgh Dec 8—An honor roll in commemoration of the 4,300 University of Pittsburgh students, alumnae and teachers who were in the world war is being compiled by a committee appointed by the university board of deans.

Allowed $10,000

(By United Press)

Pittsburgh Dec 8—City council here has been lopping off all unnecessary appropriations from the 1921 budget has allowed $10,000 of the original $25,000 asked for the animals of the Highland Park zoo.

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Special Lot of Ladies Shoes	$3.69
Special Lot of Men's Work Shoes	$2.98
Special Lot of Children's Shoes	$1.39
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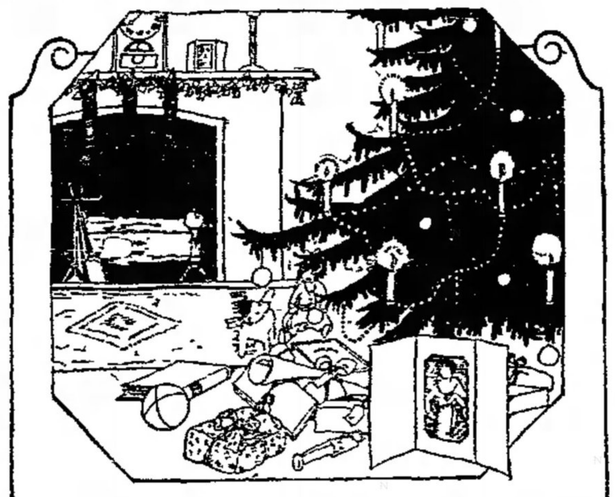

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REPUBLICAN IN POLITICS

TAXPAYERS TAKE NOTICE

April and May, October and November are the months in which the interest on foreign obligations held by this country should be paid. In a letter dated March 13 last, Secretary Houston stated that about $433,000,000 of the accrued interest had been paid, but that on the interest date in May, 1920, there would have accrued further interest amounting to approximately $463,000,000 There has been no report that any substantial part of that sum has been paid. In the six months that have elapsed since May, $250,000,000 more or less of additional interest has accrued, and it is safe to say that by the end of the calendar year 1920 the total interest owed the United States by foreign governments will be close to $775,000,000.

It is understood that an agreement has been reached whereby the United States is not to charge interest on the deferred interest, but the deferred interest itself will eventually be paid to the Treasury. Discussions between this country and the debtor governments have been going on for months looking to an arrangement not only to exchange the promissory notes now held in the Treasury as evidence of the debt for long-time obligations, but also to determine upon a time when interest payments shall begin with a regularity that can be depended upon.

It is in the prompt outcome of those "discussions" that the American taxpayers are vitally interested. The annual increment from foreign sources of $500,000,000, not to mention the $750,000,000 arrears of interest which we are to get, would afford a real relief from the tax burden that the American people now pay. It may be that the Treasury department is pursuing the negotiations with all the dispatch that can be given to such matters On the other hand, it may be that dilatoriness on the part of the Democratic administration is resulting in the imposition of hundreds of millions of unnecessary taxes on a sorely tried body o ftax payers. One of the most imperative duties before the incoming Republican administration is the reform of our tax laws, and a feature of that reform that should demand immediate and searching attention is the matter of foreign interest, a source of revenue now dormant

THE BORDER ARMY

One of the most pleasing features of the Mexican situation is the prospect of withdrawing the American army from the Mexican border. We have had a large military force along the Rio Grande for so many years now that it seems almost a fixture. It has long been taken for granted that that force, sooner or later, would constitute the vanguard of an army of occupation, intervening to save Mexico from its own chaos. That possibility has shrunk to the vanishing point.

The present administration gives promise of being able, with nothing but diplomatic support from Washington and financial aid from willing American bankers and investors, to restore order, meet obligations and rebuild the nation's industries.

Best of all is the new spirit of friendliness to "gringoes" manifested by the Mexican government and reflected by the population. It is this spirit, more than anything else, which offers hope of such peace along the border as will make Mexico a neighbor hardly more troublesome than Canada.

A moderate patrol force will be needed, in any event, to prevent rum running. That is the penalty a dry country must pay for being sandwiched in between two wet countries. But even that should be made easy by co-operation with so reasonable a government as that now installed in Mexico City.

The bulk of the army now strung across from the Gulf of Mexico to the Gulf of California can probably be withdrawn soon, and one more step will have been taken in establishing world conditions permitting a reduction of costly military armament.

Lenine says the world revolution on which his success depends has not come as quickly as he hoped. Somebody ought to remind him that good old proverb, "Blessed is he that expecteth nothing. He shall be satisfied."

There won't be many pepole go into farming as long as you have to pay more to the man who works half an hour to make a barrel than you give the farmer who works all summer to put fruit into it.

The bolshevists will undoubtedly succeed in solving the Russian problem by allowing the people in the cities and towns to starve so they will make no more trouble

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Being unable any longer to buy those fine old 75 cent church suppers for 15 cents, many people have concluded that church work is a failure.

People who complain that the home paper has no news, get all het up if it isn't delivered to them right on the minute every time.

Even the profiteers believe in leaving the consumer enough of his hide so he shall be able to come around and get skinned again.

A great many people believe in profit sharing, but labor sharing is not so popular.

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Marries Aged Man For His Money

Atlantic City, N. J, Dec. 7—Calmly asserting that she only married her aged husband for what she could get out of him, the pretty 19-year-old wife of William P. Riffle, aged 65, formerly of Uniontown, Pa., created a sensation with her testimony today in the suit brought by her husband for an accounting of $50,000 he claims to have given Mr. and Mrs. Frank Matthews, her aunt and uncle, to invest for him.

The girl was garbed in costly furs and gleaming with diamonds and pearls. She was formerly Ellen Johnson of Philadelphia. Her views on married life as given on the witness stand brought comment even from the court. "Her story takes my breath away," observed Vice Chancellor Leaming when the girl boldly admitted that she considered it the wife's sole duty to get all the luxuries possible from a husband.

Mrs. Riffle told of purchasing several gowns and dresses costing $6,600 at one time alone in a period of two months. An automobile with a liveried chauffeur in attendance, diamonds, jewels and four or five fur coats were among her extravagances, she admitted. She said her husband told her she could buy anything she wanted, and she did.

"He told me he was very rich," she testified, "and would give me $10,000 if I would marry him. He also said he would buy me a fine house and give me all the luxuries of life. I bought anything I laid my eyes upon."

During her testimony she said she would not have married Mr Riffle if he had not been considered wealthy. She admitted that she left him when the money was exhausted. When he was unsuccessful in securing a loan, she sold the furniture and the automobile.

The defense sought to prove that Mr. Riffle had given the money to Mrs Matthews for safe keeping and that the Uniontown man had told her to pay all the bills his young wife contracted. Frances Taylor, a negress and maid, employed in the hotel conducted by Mr. Matthews, where the courtship took place, testified Mr. Riffle was crazy about the young girl.

At the conclusion of the case Vice Chancellor Leaming announced he would reserve decision and submit the accounts to a special master in the chancery for investigation.

Former Judge C. I. Cole, counsel for Mr Riffle, after the hearing, said he had asked to have the papers impounded and hinted that the matter might be laid before the grand jury for investigation.

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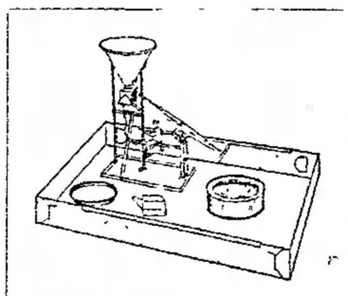

Automatic Sand Crane; the hopper is filled with sand, which runs into the scoop; automatically released when filled, and swinging around, dumps the sand into the receiver, then returns to the hopper for another load; made entirely of steel, in bright colors, complete with a supply of clean white sand in a metal container and cardboard tray; size of crane 13x14⅛x 4¾ inches; each in box

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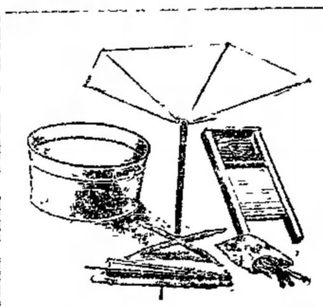

Laundry Set; consisting of a heavy metal wash tub, 10 inches in diameter, enameled a bright blue on the outside and white on the inside; a natural finish redwood washboard with moulded glass rubbing surface, 12 inches long, a revolving clothes line, and a fancy cloth bag containing 12 clothes pins. Each set is packed in a strong carton

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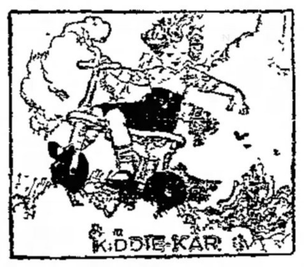

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Issue Warning

Harrisburg, Dec. 7.—State Highway Department officials today gave warning that display of 1921 automobile tags on an automobile did not constitute compliance with the Pennsylvania automobile laws. Until the end of this year 1920 tags must be displayed.

Shipments of tags have been under way at the rate of several hundred a day lately and the incoming mail contains over 1,000 applications a day. If the present rush keeps up the automobile division will have its work well advanced by December 24

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$1.48 yd. Bought to sell at $2.50. In an endless variety of colors. 36 inches wide. This is the most serviceable silk we know of. This price for this sale only.

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$1.47 yd., $2.00 value, excellent quality, pure dye, in a nice selection of colors and shades, including black. Here's a chance to have a velvet dress for very little cost. Regular $2.00 value. Price for this sale only $1.47 yd.

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Local and Personal Items of Interest

There is no charge for items contributed to this column of the going and coming of people or social happenings. Call 53.

A. N. Shuster is a business caller in Greensburg today.

Max Janavitz of Reed avenue, is a Pittsburgh visitor today.

Coal delivered on curb, 26 cents a bushel. Phone 265-R. 50-6t

C. H. Knoche of Pittsburgh, was a business caller in town yesterday.

See "Huckleberry Finn," at Star next Tuesday and Wednesday. 54-6t

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Dils of McKee avenue, spent the day in Pittsburg

"Huckleberry Finn" is at the Star next Tuesday and Wednesday. 54-6t

Elex Eicher, Greensburg attorney, is transacting business in Monessen today.

Peter Traynor, steward at the Elks club has left on a short business trip to New York.

Mr and Mrs. Pierce C. Johnson of Sixth street were visitors in the city yesterday.

Miss Sara Rosenthal and Rose Stepsey spent the day visiting with friends in Pittsburgh.

Mrs. Harry Lebowitz was among the Monessen people who were visitors in Pittsburgh today.

Don't forget the Bazaar and Bake Sale in the Episcopal church, Saturday, Dec. 11, in the afternoon and evening. 53-5tp

Samuel Moore has left for Chicago, where he expects to secure a new automobile hearse, which he will drive home.

Buy your Christmas candy at the bazaar to be given Saturday by the Ladies Aid Society of the M. E. church. 1t

Mrs. Jennie Glaister and daughter, Elsie of Pittsburgh visited yesterday at the home of Mr. and Mrs G. A. Anderson on Ninth street.

The Ladies Aid of the English Lutheran church will meet at the home of Mrs. Weidley, 632 McKee avenue on Thursday evening. 1t

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Carter of this city left last evening for a six weeks visit with friends and relatives in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Come to the M. E. church bazaar Saturday before buying all your Christmas presents. A beautiful line of fancy work to select from. 1t

Mrs. Harry Lebowitz entertained last evening at 500 at her home on Schoonmaker avenue. The evening was delightfully spent and the hostess served a delicious lunch.

For Mother's Christmas. A portrait of her son or daughter, or baby, or family group, will please her immensely around Chrismtas time. The Monessen Studio. 53-5t

Mrs. Charles Jeffries of Donora, enrolled this week for the four year course in local branch of the Sherwood Music school of Chicago, of which Mr. E. E. Drake is director.

Buy a rag rug for Mother's Xmas present. She will be sure to be pleased with it. Visit the bazaar to be given Saturday by the Ladies Aid Society of the M. E. church in the church basement. 1t

Torrance Harnigan, quarter back and captain of the Monessen High school football team, will entertain the members of that organization at his home on Schoonmaker avenue this evening and the boys are looking forward to a rousing good time.

Don't forget the bazaar and bake sale to be given by the Ladies Aid Society of the United Brethren church Friday, December 10th at the Metz Lumber Co., office on Donner avenue. All kinds of home-made pies, cakes, bread and all kinds of wearing apparel will be on sale. 4-3tp

Mrs. William Peecoock and Mrs. Chad Wilson of McMahan avenue, spent yesterday afternoon visiting with friends in Donora.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Thomas returned last evening from Mount Pleasant, Ohio, where they were called by the death of Mr. Thomas' mother.

Th regular monthly meeting of the Ladies Aid Society of the St. Paul's Lutheran church will be held at the home of Mrs. A. Allison, 657 McKee avenue, on Thursday evening. A full attendance is requested. 1t

The Ladies Adult Bible class of the M. E. church was pleasantly entertained last evening in the basement of the church by members of the class. After the business meeting a lunch was served.

A baby daughter was born Monday to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Shaw at their home on Donner avenue. Mrs. Shaw will be remembered before her marriage as Miss Lucille Eisley.

Give Photographs for Christmas. They carry the personal feeling that no ready-made gift can convey. A dozen "true-to-life" photographs will solve at once a dozen perplexing gift problems. Monessen Studio, on Donner avenue. 54-5t

Miss Elsie Lewis entertained a number of young friends at her home on Knox avenue last evening in honor of her seventh birthday. The evening was spent in games and music and a lunch was served.

Don't forget the bazaar and cafeteria lunch the Baptist Ladies Aid is giving Thursday, December 9th, beginning at 12 o'clock noon. An attractive showing of embroidered waists Aprons of all kinds, fancy work, groceries, fruit, salted peanuts and candy will be on sale. 51-5t

Monessen people are evidently not alone in praising the qualities of the Rochester football team as the sporting editor of the Monaca paper in his selection of all scholastic eleven for the Beaver Valley has placed every man on the W. P. I. A. L. champions on one of his three selections. Four men are placed on the first team, five on the second and two on the third.

Washington, Dec. 7.—Out of an increase of 52 cents a ton in the cost of producing coal at the mines since 1918, the probable increase due to wage advances has averaged 46 cents, says a report issued tonight by the Federal Trade Commission on the cost of producing bituminous coal during the second quarter of this year. The report puts the increase to labor for the period at 30 per cent and the total increase for production at the mines at 25 per cent.

The report covered the average sales realizations and revised costs of 566 operators producing 19 per cent of the bituminous coal output in the country. Sales realizations of these 566 operators, the commission said, averaged $3 31 a ton during the second quarter of 1920 and their revised cost of production at the mine was $2.66 a ton. Of this cost $2.01 represented hard labor, the report continued, 30 cents supplies and 32 cents general expenses.

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MEYERS' BROS.

Pitiful Plight of Girl

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"We had to get the gland of the nearest realtive to the human being and that is the monkey," he said.

"We don't know that the transplanting will be successful, but we hope that it may be of benefit, so that she will be able to take care of herself and enjoy life."

The operation, Krumholz said, will take half an hour.

If successful, Krumholz declares there is little likelihood of it not being so, it will be necessary to give the girl special attention.

"It will require motherhood patience in bringing up for the child," he said. "For the next two or three years it will be necessary to handle it as a mother would its baby. Of course, it will learn faster than a baby, but it must be taught to walk, speak and think.

"I am not quite clear how the bringing up of the child is to be arranged. I would like to obtain the services of a girl interested in helping humanity."

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Four hundred and thirty-two planes, of a dozen types, have been turned out by the naval aircraft factory, a survival of the government's supreme effort to cope with allied demand for air supremacy in the late war. Approximately 350 completed plans, a part of the surplus war material said to value $55,000,000, awaited disposition today in a huge storage building.

Eighty per cent of the work done in the factory is new construction, while 20 per cent is devoted to experimental, research and development work, according to Commander W. C. Westervelt, manager. Every factor, excepting motors, that enters into the construction of an airplane is manufactured here. United States mail planes are repaired at the plant.

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The working force has been reduced from the war-time activity of over 5,000 to 1,500. Of that number, 200 are women. Approximately $3,000,000 was spent by the navy department in building the aircraft factory, which covers 18 acres. Its group of buildings occupy a floor space of 950,000 square feet. What is claimed to be the largest airplane hangar in the world, 200 feet wide and 150 feet deep, is capable of housing eight fully equipped planes of the NC type, the largest built, or twenty of smaller size. A concrete ramp for the launching of seaplanes leads to the Delaware River. It runs for 250 feet under water and is equipped with a marine railway capable of carrying a 100,000 pound boat.

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No.	Estates	Accounts
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4.	John Ondrick	C. E. Zimmerman, Admr.
5.	Frank Smith	N. E. Rhoades, Exr.
6.	Elias Porter	William H. Williams, Trustee.
7.	Jane Beistel	Anna Ulery, Margaret Isabel Tarr and Susan Elizabeth Berg, Exrxs.
8.	Hugh C. Forsyth	Rachel Forsyth, Admrx.
9.	B. F. Kuhn	Harry C. Kuhn, Admr.
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We laughed when we saw her, she was so old fashioned looking. It was the time when Aunt Lydia's little social club had conceived the idea of an entertainment in the village hall, the proceeds to go for local charity. Aunt Lydia had a friend over in Farmstown who had heard of the entertainer through another friend out in the country and she recommended the woman as having given a "fine program," in their school house.

Aunt Lydia grasped at the suggestion and wrote the Farmtown lady to send along her amusing friend, expenses paid. We engaged the best vacant room for her in Cloverfield inn, and went over to decorate the village hall. Aunt Lydia wanted things done in good style so she went to Farmtown for their "rented out" orchestra. There was so little doing in Cloverfield that we were all excited over this new venture, and early on the eventful morning we drove in the big car to meet Aunt Lydia's guests coming by train from the near-by city. Annette and I anticipated the entertainer as we drove along.

"She will wear a gorgeous evening gown," said Annette, "and recite 'Curfew shall not ring tonight.'"

"Wrong," I contradicted, "village people of present date are up to the minute in every way, and critical at that." But Annette was right. When Miss Anastacia Hawlins entered the inn dining room, we gasped for breath, even the men stared in astonishment. She looked exactly like your grandmother's picture, if your grandmother was not very well to do.

Well, it wasn't the curfew exactly, neither was Miss Hawlins amusing; in fact, I think her talk was on the "improving" order, but we laughed secretly as we just looked at her, and came home in great spirits.

I was putting out the light for the night when a tap sounded at my door, and I opened to find Anastacia Hawlins, funnier than ever in a queer flannel dressing gown, with her hair skewed all over her head in wires, obtained no doubt the moth-eaten effect of which some one had spoken. She wondered timidly, if I could loan her a needle and thread, her silk wrap had ripped and she had no thread with her to mend it. She was leaving early in the morning.

She went into little raptures of delight over the monogramed things on my bureau, and was so child-like in her pleasure, that I wished I might offer her some pretty thing as a gift. But that was out of the question; Miss Anastacia was as proud as shabby, and withdrew with a grateful "thank you" for the long threaded needle. I never saw her again. We were afraid that lovely Cloverfield inn would be closed to us about this time, because of the impossibility to obtain help, but a young country lad wandering in from some farm, saved the day. He wanted work, he said, and "Peter" proved to be universally useful.

We girls, and the boys too, grew fond of big stupid Peter who was at once so dense and so willing. There was not a thing in the wide world he would not have attempted for my sake.

Perhaps, because I had given the poor boy kind words, while others laughed at his blunders, or perhaps, because something real deep and sorry stirred my heart whenever his startled eyes gazed at me. Billy Towne grew actually jealous and the girls thought it mighty amusing. But one horrid day, after Peter had spent much time washing windows in the upper hall, first this guest then that, became aware of certain missing articles of personal jewelry; I, upon nervous examination found that my diamond ring was gone, mother's ring left to me. But though I was pale with fear, I didn't report the loss, but just went out to the garage and told Peter. Told him all that the ring meant to me. Told him also how terribly sorry I felt for a poor wretch who could throw away his or her life and all that life meant for bits of gold and stones and a little wicked money. Can you believe it? Peter was crying, and in two minutes he had confessed to the theft and had placed his spoils in my hands.

"Now," he said recklessly, "have me locked up if you want to. What do I care?"

There I sat with the gleaming stones in the lap of my gingham dress. "Peter," I said firmly, "tell me all about it," and he did. He "had been raised that way" that was all; taught to steal from his cradle. And Peter was seldom suspected, his apparent stupidity saved him.

"We usually work the summer places," he explained doggedly, "the rooms are so easy to reach and folks always have jewelry with them." "Well" I asked. Peter nodded dumbly.

"You mustn't tell this part," he said at last, "my mother goes along first to find the things. She tells me where I can lay hands on them. Mother's a slick one. She calls herself Miss——."

"Peter!" I gasped, "Anastacia Hawlins!"

"Put all the blame on me," begged Peter. But I thought of a better way. When I gave the jewels back to their owners I left Peter's case with them. Their decision to give him the benefit of a fresh start has proven a wise one. Peter is making good now in a position kindly offered, while Anastacia Hawlins is but a memory.

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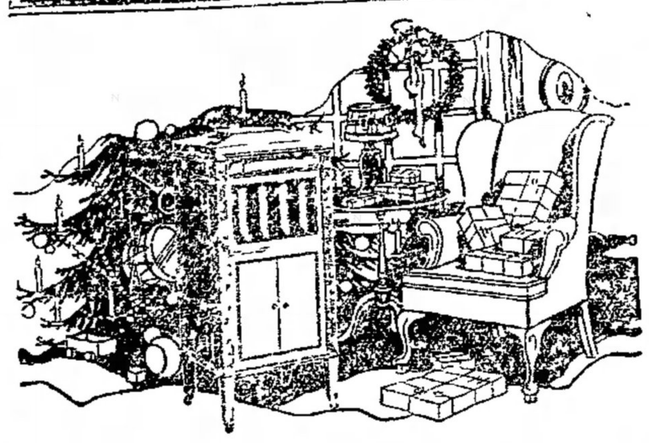

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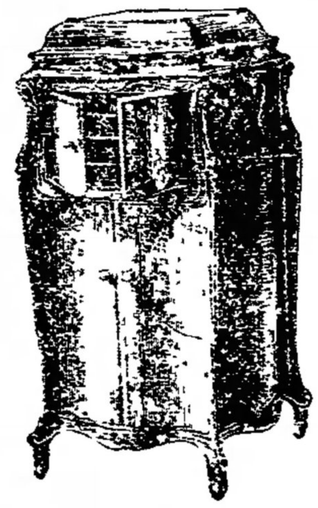

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